## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:	)
Habermann et al.	) Group Art Unit: 1656
Application No.: 09/664,326	) Examiner: Holly G. Schnizer
Filed: September 18, 2000  For: SIGNAL SEQUENCES FOR PREPARING LEU-HIRUDIN BY SECRETION BY E. COLI INTO THE CULTURE MEDIUM	) ) ) Confirmation No.: 4393 ) ) ) )

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 41.47(b), Appellant requests an oral hearing.

This request is timely since it is made within two-months after the mailing date of the Examiner's Answer.

Please charge the required fee of \$1,000.00 to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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